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KAMINSKY-BENNETT (TOPS 154)

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~~NEW YORK (AP) TWO YOUNG AMERICAN TOURISTS EXPELLED FROM RUSSIA RETURNED~~
HOME TODAY AND FLATLY DENIED THEY HAD ACTED AS SPIES FOR THIS COUNTRY.

MARK I. KAMINSKY, 28, A RUSSIAN LANGUAGE TEACHER OF EDWARDSVILLE, MICH.,
AND HARVEY C. BENNETT, 26, OF BATH, MAINE, AT FIRST SAID THEY WERE TOO TIRED FOR
AN INTERVIEW BUT FINALLY ANSWERED SOME QUESTIONS TOSSED AT THEM ON THE RUN BY
NEWSMEN AT IDLEWILD AIRPORT.

KAMINSKY, SENTENCED TO SEVEN YEARS FOR ESPIONAGE, GIVEN A SUSPENDED SENTENCE
AND THEN ORDERED OUT OF RUSSIA, DID MOST OF THE TALKING.

HE SAID DEFINITELY THEY WERE NOT AGENTS OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY.

"I DID NOT CONFESS TO ESPIONAGE," HE ADDED, DENYING RUSSIAN ACCOUNTS OF
HIS TRIAL.

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